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In re application of: :
Werner Lautenschläger et al :
Serial No.: 09/980,026 : DECISION ON
Filed: March 29, 2002 : PETITION
For: DEVICE FOR IMPLEMENTING CHEMICAL REACTIONS AND
PROCESSES IN HIGH FREQUENCY FIELDS :

This is a response to the PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181(a) and MPEP § 711.03(c)(II), filed June 28, 2004. The petition requests that the abandonment, as set forth in the Notice of Abandonment of June 16, 2004, for failure to timely file a proper response to the Office letter dated October 02, 2003 be withdrawn. The petitioner asserts that applicants timely filed a proper response on November 13, 2003.

DECISION

The instant request is accepted as a timely petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.181 (no fee).

A review of the petitioner's evidence provided with the instant petition indicates that the request has merit. The evidence presented is sufficient to establish that the applicants did file the proper response to the Office letter of October 02, 2003 in a timely manner. The evidence provided includes: 1) copies of the Response to the Office letter of October 02, 2003 with an executed Certificate of Mailing on November 13, 2003 (Exhibit B) ; and 2) a copy of the returned stamped postcard confirming receipt of the Response by the USPTO dated November 17, 2003 (Exhibit C).

Therefore, the abandonment is hereby withdrawn, and the application is returned to



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pending status. The application will be forwarded to the Technical Support Staff for entering of the Response dated November 17, 2003 and then forwarded to the examiner for prompt consideration.

The Petition is **GRANTED.**

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